

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please amend the claims as follows, this listing of the claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1-12 (canceled)

13. (Currently Amended) A housing for an extractor hood, comprising:  
at least one ventilator container for containing therein a ventilator device operable to impart motion to steam and other gaseous fluid;  
the housing serves as a housing for at least part of said ventilator container and the housing is operable for receiving and guiding steam and other gaseous fluid to said ventilator container;  
  
said ventilator container arranged at least partly in said housing; and  
one section of an external wall of said housing is formed by a portion of said ventilator container and said housing includes two side walls, at least one of said side walls has a bent region at its upper edge, and said bent region of said side wall forms a section of the top of said housing and said bent region of said side wall is in engagement with at least one region of said ventilator container via a form-locking connection.
14. (Previously Presented) The housing according to claim 13, including said section of said external wall of said housing formed by said portion of said ventilator container forms a top section of said housing.
15. (Previously Presented) The housing according to claim 13, including said portion of said ventilator container forming said section of said external wall of said housing is located in the area of an outlet connecting piece of said ventilator container.

16. (Previously Presented) The housing according to claim 13, including said portion of said ventilator container forming said section of said external wall of said housing has the form of a plate.
17. (Previously Presented) The housing according to claim 13, including said housing includes two side walls and at least one part of one of said side walls forms a section of the top of said housing.
18. (Cancelled)
19. (Currently Amended) The housing according to claim 17, including a part of an area of said side wall which forms said section of said top of said housing is in engagement with at least one region of said ventilator container and at least one of said side walls has a bent region at its upper edge.
20. (Previously Presented) The housing according to claim 13, including said housing includes a pair of housing walls each of which has a peripheral edge defining the extent of the respective housing wall in one selected direction and the peripheral edges of the pair of housing walls being spaced from one another and said ventilator container has an exterior forming portion that extends at least partially between the pair of housing walls and that is inwardly of the peripheral edges of the pair of housing walls, said exterior forming portion of said ventilator container forming said one section of an external wall of said housing.
21. (Previously Presented) The housing according to claim 20, including said one ventilator container contains a ventilator device in the form of a fan operable to impart motion to steam and other gaseous fluid.

22. (Previously Presented) The housing according to claim 20, including at least one of said housing walls includes a projecting edge for engagement with said exterior forming portion of said ventilator container.
23. (New) The housing according to claim 13, including said form-locking connection is formed entirely by said bent region of said side wall and said at least one region of said ventilator container.
24. (New) The housing according to claim 13, including said form-locking connection is a groove formed on at a selected one of said bent region of said side wall and said at least one region of said ventilator container with the other of said bent region of said side wall and said at least one region of said ventilator container being secured to the selected one of said bent region of said side wall and said at least one region of said ventilator container having said groove via insertion of an edge thereof into said groove.
25. (New) The housing according to claim 24, including said form-locking connection is a groove formed on said at least one region of said ventilator container and said bent region of said side wall is secured to said at least one region of said ventilator container having said groove via insertion of an edge of said bent region of said side wall into said groove formed on said at least one region of said ventilator container.
26. (New) The housing according to claim 24, including said at least one region of said ventilator container includes a container wall and a plate-shaped area having an edge with said edge of said plate-shaped area extending over said container wall to thereby form said groove and said bent region of said side wall is secured to said at least one region of said ventilator container having said groove via insertion of said bent region of said side wall below said edge of said plate-shaped area of said at least one region of said ventilator container.